

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 19-75 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Previously Presented) A blocked immunoglobulin comprising an antibody portion and a Protein A portion wherein said antibody portion comprises a member selected from the group consisting of two antibody light chain variable regions, two antibody heavy chain variable regions and a combination thereof.

2. (Previously Presented) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 1 wherein said antibody portion comprises at least one antibody light chain variable region.

3. (Previously Presented) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 1 wherein said antibody portion comprises at least one antibody heavy chain variable region.

4. (Previously Presented) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 1 wherein said antibody portion comprises at least one antibody light chain variable region and at least one antibody heavy chain variable region.

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8. (Previously Presented) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 1 wherein said antibody portion comprises at least one antigen-reactive fragment.

9. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 1 wherein said Protein A portion comprises at least one protein A compound.

10. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 9 wherein said Protein A compound is a fragment of Protein A.

11. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 1 further comprising a solid support to which said immunoglobulin is attached.

12. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein said immunoglobulin is attached to said solid support through a covalent linkage.

13. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein the antibody portion of said immunoglobulin is attached to said solid support.

14. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein the antibody portion of said immunoglobulin is attached to said solid support through a tether.

15. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein the Protein A portion of said immunoglobulin is attached to said solid support.

16. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein the Protein A portion of said immunoglobulin is attached to said solid support through a tether.

17. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein the solid support is made of a material selected from the group consisting of acrylamide, agarose, cellulose, nitrocellulose, glass, polystyrene, polyethylene vinyl acetate, polypropylene, polymethacrylate, polyethylene, polyethylene oxide, polysilicates, polycarbonates, teflon, fluorocarbons, nylon, silicon rubber, polyanhydrides, polyglycolic acid, polylactic acid, polyorthoesters, polypropylfumerate, collagen, glycosaminoglycans, and polyamino acids.

18. (Original) The blocked immunoglobulin of claim 11 wherein the solid support further comprises a member selected from the group consisting of thin film, membrane, bottles, dishes, fibers, woven fibers, shaped polymers, particles, beads, microparticles, and a combination of the foregoing.

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